

The Patrol Division forms the base from which all police work is conducted. We are the most highly visible portion, and the most easily recognized. The division is comprised of 83 sworn officers, who perform a variety of duties. Our primary focus is on providing emergency response, servicing community calls, patrolling the town, and traffic enforcement. We are made up of men and women who patrol Brookline's streets day and night.

Our goals are to:

1. Ensure public safety
2. Enhance neighborhood quality of life
3. Provide unparalleled service
4. Ensure homeland security

Our role is to resolve problems through the enforcement of laws, and not through the imposition of judgment or punishment.

Other Aspects Of The Patrol Division

Commanding Officer in Charge

A CO is a ranking officer designated to command each shift. They are responsible for the immediate supervision, control and deployment of officers under their command. This officer makes sure that the shift runs to the best of its ability, and ensures a high quality of police service in the community.

Communications Center

Fifteen certified E-911 telecommunicators who answer and dispatch all calls for police, fire, and emergency medical services, process inquiries thru the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles, search state and federal criminal history, and document activity using state of the art Computer Aided Dispatch technology.

Lodging House Officer

This officer is responsible for the administration and enforcement of laws, rules, regulations, inspections and investigations of lodging houses in the community. The officer consults and

coordinates with Health, Building, Fire and Legal departments.

Liquor License Officer

The officer is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the alcohol beverage laws, rules, regulations, inspections and investigations of licensed premises in the community.

Animal Control Officer

The officer investigates complaints involving dogs and other animals. They patrol the town as necessary to enforce animal laws and town by-laws.

Community Service Intervention

Our department has a separate Community Service division; however, the officers of the Patrol Division also spend time out of the cruisers and getting to know the community. We work with the community to identify problems, and find solutions.